



Longview Parks and Recreation Department Neighborhood Park Grant Application

Please submit eight (8) copies of this application and eight (8) copies of any supplemental materials. Application deadline: **September 11, 2015**

Date 9/11/2015	Project Name Skate Park Cleanup & Renewal	Project Location Cloney Park, Longview, WA
Before proceeding further, please review the definition and requirements of capital improvement projects found in the first paragraph in the application process and instructions: is your project a capital improvement project located in a City of Longview park? If not, do not complete this application - it will not be eligible for funding.		
Applicant (organization) C.R.E.T.E. Culture		Contact Person and Title Nicholas Nunez
Are you a non-profit organization? ☒ Yes ☐ No		If yes, what is your IRS Tax ID#? 47-4381899
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Project Description. (Applicants are encouraged to attach additional pages including schematic drawings, site location drawings, maps, pictures, and photographs.)

A diverse group of local volunteers will be uniting to hold a Clean-Up and Renewal Project at the Cloney Skateboard Park on Washington Way, located near Lake Sacajewea as a Community Service Project. Our team of volunteers is formed of local Longview citizens from all corners of our community. Our goal is to completely wash, clean, maintain, and restore various aspects of the facility. Along with landscaping, raking, sweeping, and pressure washing, we will be prepping, taping, and priming each of the skate park obstacles throughout the entire park to apply colorful murals of geometric designs. (See attached photos of current skate park elements and conceptual designs)

Project Relationship to Grant Rating and Instruction Criteria. (Explain how this project responds to the eight rating criteria listed in the application process. Answering those eight questions will enable the parks board to evaluate the importance of the project against others that request funding.)

Need:

For many years our local skate park has suffered from graffiti, vandalism, malicious mischief, underage tobacco use, illegal drugs, and alcohol abuse as a of the declining sense of Home-town Pride and an increasing lack of respect for society. This leaves our local students and children vulnerable to many degrees of illegal activity. The local Cloney Skate Park facility is currently in, and has been in, the utmost dire need of serious attention from our community members and local authority figures. Skateboarding provides physical activity and a positive outlet for people of all ages. Revitalizing this area with not only benefit the skateboarding community, but artist value to the community as a whole. This specific area Longview is desperate need of genuine and intelligent efforts to restore the nature of its struggling society.

Community Impact:

The local citizens of this low-income neighborhood will be significantly affected by this cosmetic beautification process that will dramatically change the visual and psychological perception of this struggling division of Longview. Other individuals who will directly benefit from this project are the high-school students who will receive "community service hours" that are a requirement for graduation, along with the team-work/problem solving skills that will provide a true hands on experience in a real world scenario. The geometric theme that will be incorporated into the project will also be beneficial to the students in the sense that it is educational and be related back to the classroom. The city benefits because this project was designed to combat vandalism, crime, boost economy, and also maintain the upkeep of our community facilities. Our goal is to generate town pride and to uplift our society and make it a better place to live.

Access:

The park has free daily access to the public.

Financial Responsibility:

This project will produce an increase in student learning because of the incorporated mathematics within the project. Additionally, the city will receive a newly revitalized park which will provide an increase amount of community pride. Project designed to be annual through the non-profit with the help of the school district and volunteers. Maintenance requirements will be ongoing provided by the non-profit.

Cost Benefit:

The local businesses who have contributed to the project will receive free promotional advertisement to encourage the stimulation and growth of the local economy/commerce. This program also has the potential to branch out to painting more murals within the community to bring about a wave of positive culture. This project provides significant and long lasting effects, impacting multiple aspects of our society, from psychological to physical, and even economically.

Compliance:

No permits needed, in code compliance, both Park and Recreation Board and Visual Arts Commission will need to approve the project.

Readiness to proceed:

This project is fully funded and supplied and is ready to begin immediately.

Funding:

Donations and volunteer labor are the sole source of funding and have all been secured. Many partnerships have already been created during the design process and more will be incorporated during the installation phase. Partnerships with the school district and other local businesses have already been fostered.

Project Budget and Funding		
APPLICANT: cash	\$ 115.00	%
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OTHER: identify source(s)	\$	%
CITY OF LONGVIEW: cash	\$ 4957.00	50 %
TOTAL:	\$ 9115.00	100 %
Will fees be charged in connection with using this project? ☐ Yes ☐ No		
* List donated labor and materials anticipated in lieu of or in combination with cash (letters of commitment from donors should be included.) Our special group of local volunteers is formed of neighborhood citizens, skaters, parents and business owners. A majority of the youth volunteer members are assembled of both current and Alumni students from each of the major three local high-schools, Mark Morris, R.A. Long, and Kelso High, as well as several student artists from L.C.C. All of the necessary materials required to complete the "Clean-Up and Renewal Project" have been donated by outside businesses to our Non-Profit Organization "C.R.E.T.E. CULTURE".		
What steps must be completed or accomplished prior to this project being ready to proceed? The project is ready to proceed but needs to be approved by the Parks and Recreation Board and the Visual Arts Commission.		
Date project is to be completed End of October 2015	Multi-year project? ☐ Yes ☒ No (if yes, please describe)	
Application completed by (print and sign name) 	Title <i>Executive Director</i>	Date <i>9-11-15</i>
All applicants will be invited to make presentations about their projects to the parks board. You will be notified of the date and time. Please return this application by September 11, 2015, to: City of Longview Parks and Recreation Department 2920 Douglas St. Longview, WA 98632		
* In-kind labor is service provided that accomplishes work that otherwise would be provided by contractors or other paid individuals in order to complete any portion of this project. It also must relate to this specific project only. General duties of the organization that occur on a regular basis or other volunteer work that has occurred prior to the initiation of the identified project do not qualify as in-kind services. Volunteer labor is calculated at \$10 per hour.		





